HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE C.V.NAGARJUNA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO: 22931 of 2005

Dated: 26-09-2007

Between:

V.Ramya and 2 others.

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AND

Acharya Nagarjuna University,
Rep., by its Registrar,
Nagarjuna Nagar,
Guntur District and another.

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O R D E R:

This writ petition is filed for a writ of Mandamus to declare the action of the respondents in requiring the petitioner to pay an amount of Rs.10,000/- towards fee from each student admitted under the Management quota in addition to the fee prescribed under the Andhra Pradesh Regulation of Admissions MBA/MCA Professional Courses through Common Entrance Test Rules, 2003 issued in G.O.Ms.No.46 Higher Education (E.C.1) Department, dated 05-07-2003 as illegal, arbitrary and discriminatory. A direction was also sought for to restrain the respondents from in any way insisting on payment of the said amount of Rs.10,000/- from the petitioners.

The grievance of the petitioners in this writ petition is that on the directions issued by respondent No.1-University, respondent No.2-College, in which the petitioners have been studying, has been demanding the petitioners to pay an amount of Rs.10,000/- in addition to the fee prescribed under the Rules.

Heard Sri M.Sudheer Kumar, learned counsel for the petitioners and Sri P.Haranath Guptha, learned counsel appearing for respondent No.1-University.

At the hearing Sri P.Haranath Guptha produced a copy of the letter dated 06-12-2006 addressed by the first respondent-University to the Secretary and Correspondents of all the colleges offering B.Tech/B.Parmacy/MBA and MCA Courses in Acharya Nagarjuna University area, in which it is mentioned that the nomenclature of user charges is changed to development fee. It is also further mentioned that the development fee is required to be paid by the Management of the colleges admitting the candidates under NRI/Management quota and not by the students.

In view of this categorical instruction issued by the University to all the Managements running the Educational Institutions offering B.Tech/B.Pharmacy/MBA and MCA courses, the said institutions cannot collect development fee from the students.

Sri Haranath Guptha says that in view of this letter, the University will insist on the Management of respondent No.2-college to bear these charges and not to collect the same from the students.

Sri Sudheer Kumar says that in view of the stand taken by the University, there is no need to pursue the writ petition.

The writ petition is, therefore, disposed of placing on record the above mentioned statement of the learned counsel for the respondent for the 1st respondent-University that it will ensure that the development fee is not collected by the institutions from their students. No costs.

C.V.NAGARJUNA REDDY,J

Date: 26-09-2007
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